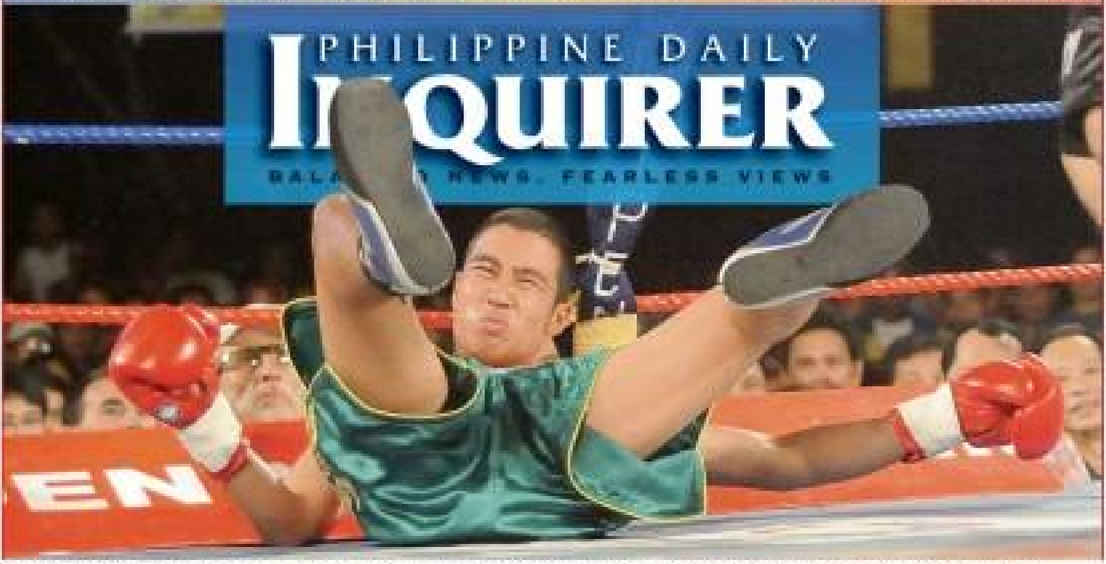
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NASTY FALL Dodie Boy Peñalosa Jr. of the Philippines sends Super James Singmanasak of Thailand crashing down on his back to win by technical knockout in the first round of their scheduled 10-round super bantamweight bout at the Bacom Dome in Caloocan City on Saturday night. Peñalosa, son of former world boxing champion Dodie Boy Sr., remains undefeated in eight fights. (See story in Sports on Page A21)

Palace pressuring me to quit—Cuevas

Malacañang to Corona lawyer: Name emissary

By Christian V. Esguerra

WHO WANTS retired Supreme Court Justice Serafin Cuevas out of the impeachment trial of Chief Justice Renato Corona?

The 83-year-old Cuevas, who has become a sort of a rock star because of his performance as lead defense counsel in the afternoon TV-radio spectacle before a nationwide audience, has revealed purported efforts by Malacañang to get him out just two weeks into the Senate trial.

Cuevas said he had been approached on a number of occasions by a lawyer to deliver a supposed message from Malacañang.

He said he was being asked to leave the defense panel in exchange for the withdrawal of the criminal case against Magtanggol Gatdula, the recently sacked director of the National Bureau of Investigation.

"I was told that the President wanted me out as a bargaining chip in the case, that they would no longer pursue it provided that I withdraw," the counsel said in Filipino in an interview with the Inquirer in his Makati City office on Saturday night.

Cuevas is also the legal counsel of the influential Iglesia ni Cristo (INC), of which Gatdula is also a member. Gatdula has been implicated in the alleged kidnapping of an undocumented Japanese woman.

Cuevas identified the emissary, supposedly a member of Malacañang's "rah-rah" boys, but asked that his name be withheld. He said the man, his former student at the University of the Philippines' College of Law, feared Palace repercussions.

"I know him to be with Malacañang. (But) I'm not sure whether he's authorized or he is doing it himself," the defense counsel said. "I don't speak with the President anyway ... I do not want to add credence to that."

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DIE-IN Activists stage a die-in protest near Malacañang following talks of cooperation between US and Philippine defense officials in Washington. They also opposed the deployment of more US troops in the Philippines, saying it will exacerbate territorial disputes with China.

China sanctions against PH urged

BEIJING—China should impose "sanctions" against the Philippines after the latter offered to allow more US troops on its soil, state media said on Sunday, amid growing tensions over disputed waters in the West Philippine Sea (South China Sea).

In sharp contrast, China's foreign ministry called for greater efforts toward "peace and stability" in the region.

"We hope that relevant parties will make more effort toward peace and stability in the region," the foreign ministry said in a brief statement faxed to Agence France-Presse on Sunday.

The Philippines on Friday said it planned to hold more joint exercises and to let more US troops rotate through the country—an offer welcomed by the United States as it seeks to expand its military power in Asia.

An editorial in the Global Times,

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Santiago lambasts prosecution panel again

By Christian V. Esguerra

SEN. MIRIAM Defensor Santiago went through a magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) procedure after suffering from high blood pressure in the impeachment trial on Thursday.

The good news is she's fit to resume work as a judge in today's proceedings. The bad news is that House prosecutors and their private counsels might be in for more scolding.

"There's nothing wrong with my brain, contrary to the impression of my enemies," Santiago said in an interview over radio dzBB, three days after her BP shot up to 180/90 and she had to leave the trial early.

The former Regional Trial Court judge yesterday lambasted prosecutors for complaining in media about her demeanor in the impeachment trial of Chief Justice Renato Corona.

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100 witnesses a blackmail on Chief Justice

By Amando Doronila

ANALYSIS

HOUSE prosecutors have threatened to swamp the impeachment trial of Chief Justice Renato Corona with a tidal wave of witnesses in a desperate attempt to regain the momentum in their faltering offensive to convict him before public opinion.

In a demonstration of firepower, the prosecution team of the House of Representatives served notice that it would present more than 100 witnesses to prove its case, after seven days

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With iSketch, students help crime probers

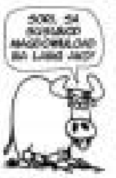
By Charles E. Buban

THE NEXT TIME you feel like committing a crime, think about what this group of senior information technology students from Baguio City has just developed.

The iSketch, developed by a team from Saint Louis University (SLU), is a new type of facial composite-illustration system that is much different and in all likelihood better than the Facefit technology that the Philippine National Police is using to produce images of suspects for public identification.

The work was declared "Best Project of the Year" in the 2012 Bank of the Philippine Islands-Department of Science and Technology (BPI-DOST) Science Awards, a yearly competition that recognizes and provides incentives to graduating students in select colleges or universities who excel in mathematics, physics, chemistry, engineering, computer science and biology.

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Llamas says sorry; fate hangs in the balance

By Christine O. Avendaño

WOULD an apology to no less than the President save his job?

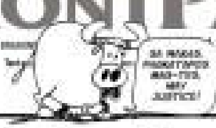
Presidential Adviser on Political Affairs Ronald Llamas may know the answer today.

Llamas yesterday said he had apologized to

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Finally, case no justice wanted is over

By Nikko Dizon

THE COURT of Appeals has affirmed the conviction of Buguey, Cagayan, Mayor Licerio Antiporda III for triple homicide, ending a 12-year judicial runaround, where no less than 17 CA justices inhibited themselves from the case.

Decision recalled

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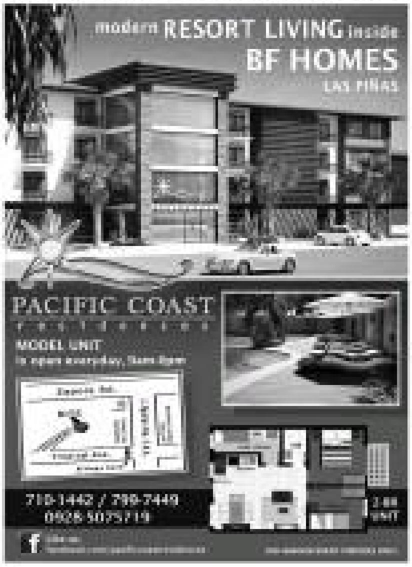
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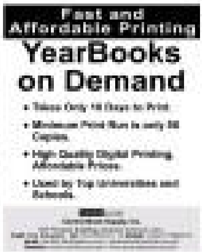
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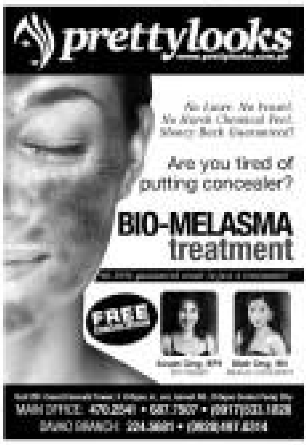
7 Wonders tag shows no need for mining–Palawan bishop











THE DAILY GOSPEL

Advanced Cancer Patients should not give up —Particle Seed Therapy provides long-term survival rate for them



₱640B in GSIS assets safe, says chief

By Juan Escandor Jr.
Inquirer Southern Luzon

NAGA CITY—A top official of the Government Service Insurance System (GSIS) who was in this city Friday said the state-run agency now had total assets of P640 billion, all of it in "safe hands."

Newly appointed GSIS president and general manager Robert G. Vergara told some 300 pensioners and stakeholders in a dialogue the system's assets consisted of 45 percent in government bonds (in pesos, dollars, euros), 34 percent in loans to members, 11 percent in the local equity market; and 10 percent in "very liquid cash" and treasury bills.

That translates roughly to P288 billion in bonds, P217.6 billion in loans, P70.4 billion in the equity market and P64 billion in cash, for a total of P640 billion.

Questionable investments

Responding to a concern raised by a GSIS member about past investments that "could have been questionable," Vergara said the GSIS pulled its investments out of foreign markets and reinvested locally to help generate growth for the economy, including a P13-billion investment in Bonifacio Global City.

He said that in the first quarter of 2008, the previous board of trustees earmarked $1 billion for foreign markets (roughly P43 billion), of which $480 million had been "deployed" or invested.

Last year, Vergara said the board approved his and GSIS chair Daniel L. Lacson's recommendation to take back the $800 million foreign investment, as well as cancel the $400 million committed to two European banks.

He said the decision came about after President Aquino's visit to the United States in September last year.

Vergara said that on that visit, Mr. Aquino received $250 million in investment pledges just as the GSIS was about to commit $800 million to foreign investment.

St. Jude student is national Sudoku champ

Thousands of ex-Pinoys PH citizens once more

By Jerome Aning

A TOTAL of 130,000 former Filipinos have reacquired Philippine citizenship under the dual citizenship law, according to the Bureau of Immigration (BI).

In a statement, Immigration Commissioner Ricardo David Jr. said those who reacquired Filipino citizenship since the BI began implementing the law in April 2004 were [illegible] individuals who filed their petitions at the BI main office in Manila and 79,308 who applied at Philippine consulates abroad.

Under Republic Act No. 9225, also known as the Citizenship Retention and Reacquisition Act of 2003, natural-born Filipinos who became naturalized citizens of other countries may regain their original citizenship by taking the oath of allegiance.

David urged former Filipinos to avail themselves of the benefits of RA 9225 if they wanted to enjoy again the right to vote, run for public office, own real property or remain indefinitely in the Philippines.

The law, however, allows dual citizenship only if an applicant's new country of loyalty [illegible].

"They can enter and exit the Philippines anytime or stay here for as long as they wish without the need to apply for an extension of stay," he said.

BI legal officer [illegible], who heads the bureau's task force on RA 9225, said Americans topped the list of approved applicants, followed by Britons and Canadians.

To apply, an individual must submit all documentary requirements and pay a fee of P3,000.

With iSketch, students help crime probers



AWARDEES Sarah Jane Calpo (center), head of the St. Louis University team, shows off the trophy for Best Project of the Year during the BPI-DOST Science Awards ceremony. Flanking her are Chilbert Joan (second place) and Rhaizza Andrea Garcia (third place).

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LIGHT MOMENT President Aquino shares a light moment with his political adviser Ronald Llamas, who is at the center of a controversy for reportedly buying pirated DVDs.

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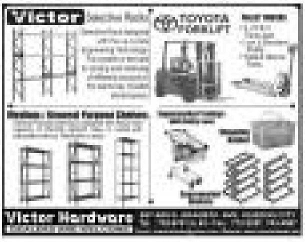
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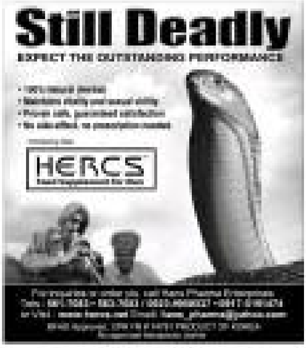
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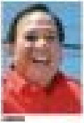








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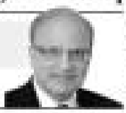
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Top Dumaguete marathon gives rice for prizes

Sheltersin Bayug temporary, says Iligan City gov't



THE SUPREME COURT has issued a temporary environmental protection order that prevents Baguio City from utilizing its decommissioned dump as a holding area for trash and as host to two Japanese-made machines that convert organic waste to powdered fertilizer.

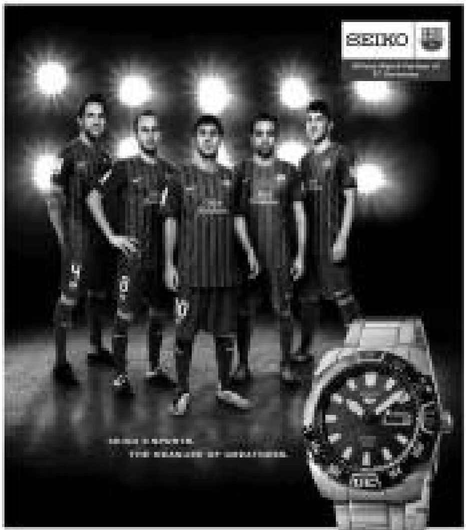
Baguio execs see new garbage crisis with writ of 'kalikasan'

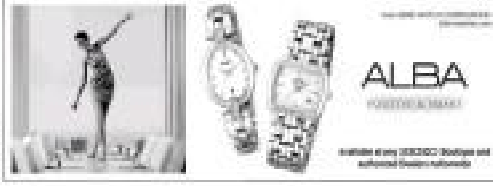
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THE LATE musician Francisco Santiago, born on Jan. 29, 1889, wrote the first art song Kundiman in 1917 and was the first Filipino director of the UP Conservatory of Music. He died of heart attack on Sept. 28, 1947 and was buried at the North Cemetery in Manila. He was posthumously given the "Pamudwa ng Sining at Kalinangan" award by the City of Manila in 1963. Inquirer Research

Mayors approve e-tagging for PUVs

MMDA gets green light to require chips in buses

By Mike Morales

METRO Manila mayors have given their approval for the Metropolitan Manila Development Authority (MMDA) to implement the electronic tagging scheme for public utility vehicles (PUV), the latest measure aimed at imposing road discipline and easing the capital's monster traffic jams.

In a recent Metro Manila Council meeting, all of the 17 mayors moved for the evaluation and review of project's feasibility as it would employ various tracking systems, according to MMDA chair Francis Tolentino. The MMC is the policy-making body of the MMDA.



TOLENTINO

Among the methods being considered to keep track of the thousands of PUVs plying Metro Manila are the global positioning system and radio frequency identification (RFID) system, among others.

Since the electronic tagging was proposed by owners and operators of public utility buses, the project would be at no cost to the government, Tolentino explained in a statement.

The service provider, CyberDrive, indicated a during its test conducted last week that an e-tag would cost P480 each, he added.

Bus owners and operators have been vocal in favor of having a systematic tagging of vehicles since last year, when the MMDA ordered that markings be painted on the top of jeepneys, city buses and other regulated vehicles for easier monitoring.

With the approval now coming from the MMC, the MMDA's policy-making body, Tolentino said he was optimistic that the system would be rolling out in the coming months.

The e-tagging system for PUVs was proposed by bus operators as an alternative to the paint tagging scheme.

Both measures are seen to address traffic problems along Edsa. A previous study by the Japan International Cooperation Agency showed that Edsa can handle a maximum 1,600 buses a day. Some 3,500 buses ply the route daily.

The new scheme includes an electronic tag placed in a registered bus. The tag is linked with a computer database that contains identification records of the bus such as its Land Transportation Office and Land Transportation Franchising and Regulatory Board registrations.

When the bus enters the loading bay, a green light will show that it has been recognized by the system which would then detect if the bus has stayed longer than the allowed 25 seconds.

A report to the database will then allow authorities to issue a violation ticket and determine the identification of the violators. An electronic tag would cost P480 each according to service provider CyberDrive.

In August last year, the MMDA implemented the painted tagging scheme wherein the license plates of PUVs were painted prominently on their roofs for easy tracking and detection.

Under the MMDA resolution, the tag or mark should be painted horizontally on the front portion of the PUVs' roof measuring 900mm × 1,200mm for PUBs and similar buses and cargo trucks. The measurement of the tag for FX, UV-van-type units and sedan-type taxis must be 400mm × 900mm.

Tolentino said he hoped that the system could address the MMDA's perennial headaches concerning "overstaying" buses in the loading bays. The e-tags, he said, could also be an effective deterrent against "trip cutting" among bus drivers. *With a report from Inquirer Research*

DILG suspends 5 'sleeping' jail guards

By Dona Z. Pazzibugan



Gunman, target both from Cagayan

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CHEAP RIDES, PRICELESS FUN

After bloody week, Taguig mayor calls for meeting

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Burglars in QC take P1M but throw out Louis Vuitton bag

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Arab League suspends mission in Syria

BEIRUT—The Arab League has halted its observer mission in Syria because of escalating violence that has killed nearly 100 people over the past three days, as the regime's forces battled dissident soldiers in a belt of suburbs on the eastern edge of Damascus in the most intense fighting yet so close to the capital. The rising bloodshed has added urgency to new attempts by Arab and Western countries to find a resolution to the 10 months of violence, which according to the United Nations has killed at least 5,400 people as President Bashar Assad seeks to crush persistent protests demanding an end to his rule. AP

French pullout denounced as 'big mistake'

KABUL—France's plans to withdraw its combat troops from Afghanistan a year early drew harsh words on Saturday in the Afghan capital, with critics accusing French President Nicolas Sarkozy of putting domestic politics ahead of Afghans' safety. A wider proposal by Sarkozy for Nato to hand over all security to Afghans by the end of next year also came under fire, with one Afghan lawmaker saying it would be "a big mistake" that would leave security forces unprepared to fight the Taliban insurgency and threaten a new descent into violence in the 10-year-old war. AP

Romney sees victory in Florida primary

PORT ST. LUCIE—Front-runner Mitt Romney predicted victory in the pivotal Florida primary, but his chief rival Newt Gingrich vowed to stay in the race for the Republican presidential nomination until the party's national convention this summer even if he loses Tuesday's vote. Polls of Republican voters in Florida show Romney, the former Massachusetts governor, with a single digit lead over Gingrich in what has essentially become a two-man race for the nomination to face President Barack Obama in the November election. AP

300 Occupy protesters arrested

OAKLAND—About 300 people were arrested on Saturday during a chaotic day of Occupy protests that saw demonstrators break into City Hall and burn an American flag, and police fire tear gas and use flash grenades to disperse hundreds of people after some in the crowd threw rocks and bottles and tore down fencing outside a convention center. It was the most turbulent day of protests since November last year, when Oakland police forcefully dismantled an Occupy encampment. An exasperated Mayor Jean Quan, who faced heavy criticism for the police action last autumn, called on the Occupy movement to "stop using Oakland as its playground." AP

Brazilian bikinis burgeon to fit the fat

RIO DE JANEIRO—Tall and tan and young and ... chubby? The Girl From Ipanema has put on a few pounds, and for many sunbathers on Brazil's beaches, the country's iconic itsy-bitsy, teeny-weeny bikini just doesn't suffice anymore. A growing number of bikini manufacturers have woken up to Brazil's thickening waistline and are reaching out to the ever-expanding ranks of heavy women with new plus-size lines. AP

Thousands mob Suu Kyi

DAWEI, Burma—Thousands of supporters in the countryside of Burma (Myanmar) cheered opposition leader Aung San Suu Kyi on Sunday as she made a political tour ahead of by-elections, highlighting how quickly and dramatically politics is changing in the long-repressed Southeast Asian nation.



OPPOSITION leader Aung San Suu Kyi waves to her supporters in Dawei, promising to bring democracy to Burma. AP

Throngs of people lined the roads of several towns in the southern district of Dawei chanting, "Long Live Daw Aung San Suu Kyi!" "Daw" is a title of respect in Burma.

Many waved bouquets of flowers, and some hoisted babies on their shoulders to glimpse the Nobel Peace Prize laureate and former political prisoner on her first political trip since announcing a bid for a seat in parliament.

"We will bring democracy to the country," Suu Kyi told an enthusiastic crowd of thousands. "We will work for development. We will bring rule of law to the country, and we will see to it that repressive laws are repealed."

"We can overcome any obstacle with unity and perseverance," she said from the second-story balcony of a provincial office for her National League for Democracy party.

Suu Kyi, 66, has devoted much of her life to a struggle against authoritarian rule. She spent 15 of the past 23 years under house arrest and has never held elected office. If she wins, she is likely to have limited power in the legislature, which remains dominated by the military and the ruling party, but victory would be highly symbolic and give her a voice in government for the first time.

The one-day trip to Dawei follows a series of unprecedented reforms enacted by the nominally civilian government that took over when a military junta ceded power last year. The government has released hundreds of political prisoners, reached ceasefire deals with ethnic rebels, increased media freedoms and eased censorship laws.

The April 1 by-election is being held to fill 48 seats in the lower house of parliament that were vacated after lawmakers were appointed to the Cabinet and other posts.

Suu Kyi's party boycotted the last vote in 2010, but it registered earlier this month for the by-election after authorities amended electoral laws. AP

Iran warns crude may spike to $150 per barrel

TEHRAN, Iran—The head of Iran's state oil company on Sunday said the price of crude would reach $120 to $150 per barrel, as officials from the oil-rich country prepared to discuss a ban on crude sales to European Union countries in retaliation for an EU embargo.

The head of National Iranian Oil Company Ahmad Qalebani, also said that Tehran would expand its capacity to refine crude domestically, instead of selling it on international markets.

The European Union announced an embargo on Iranian oil last week to pressure Tehran on its controversial nuclear program.

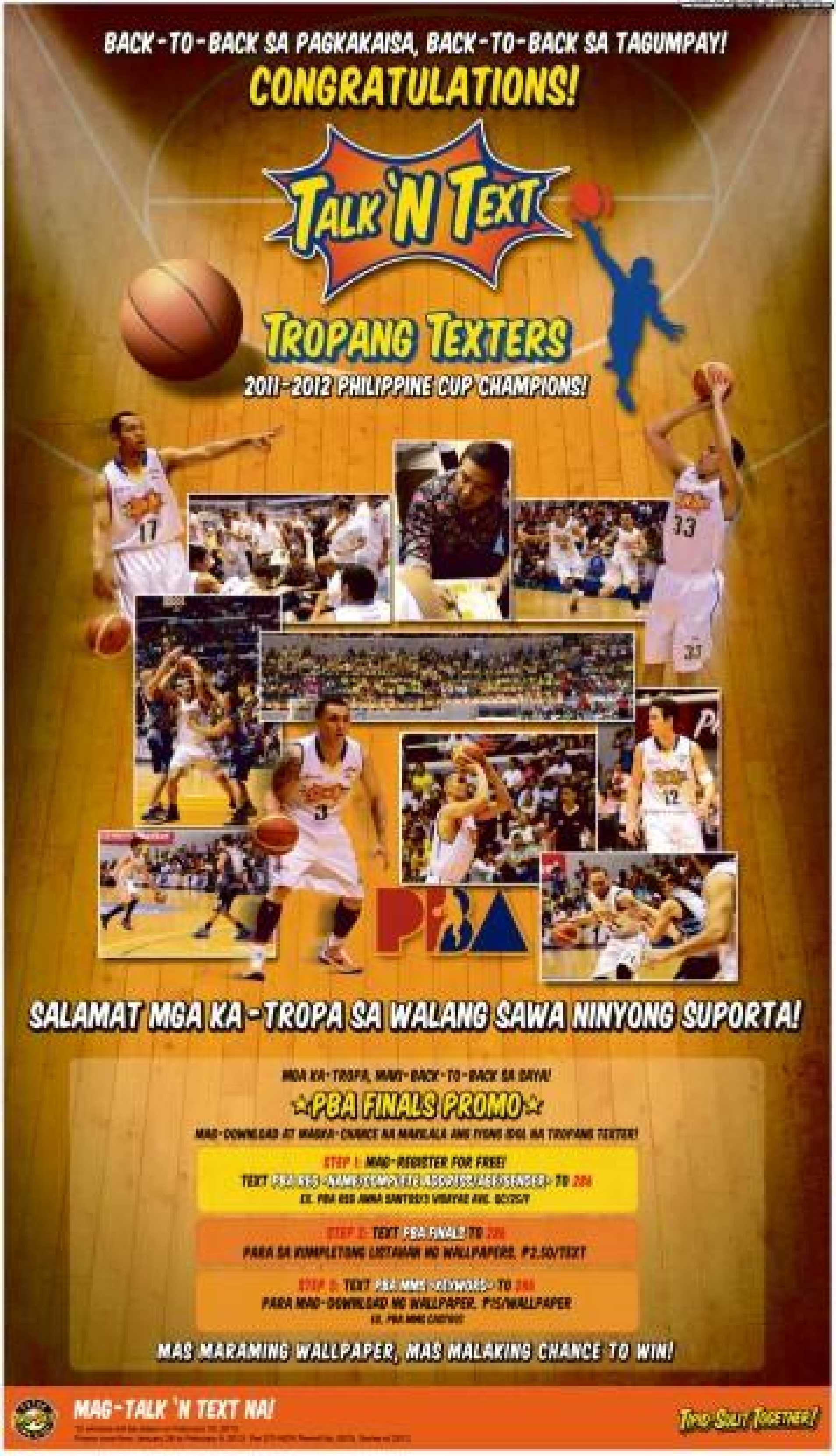
The embargo is set to go into effect in the summer, but Iran says that it may cut the flow of crude to Europe early.

Iran says the European Union accounts for only 18 percent of its output and that it can find new customers. It says the embargo will hurt the West more than Iran, in part by causing a spike in prices.

"It seems we will witness prices from $120 to $150 in the future," Qalebani was quoted as saying by Iran's official news agency.

The price of benchmark US crude on Friday was around $99.56 per barrel.

Qalebani also said that Iran could find other customers for its crude in the short term, while in the longer term expanding its refining capacity to turn the crude into other petroleum products. AP



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NOVAK Djokovic yells after winning a difficult point against Rafael Nadal in their men's singles final at the Australian Open in Melbourne. AP

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Guirado, De Murga on target as Global clobbers Nomads

By Cedelf P. Tupas



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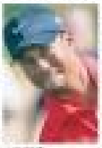
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Ayala backs gov't bidding for MRT 3

Group seeks strategic partners

CONGLOMERATE Ayala Corp. has backed the government's plan to bid out a contract to manage and upgrade the existing capacity of elevated railway Metro Rail Transit 3 along Edsa and is now in talks with prospective strategic partners to join the auction.

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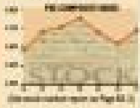
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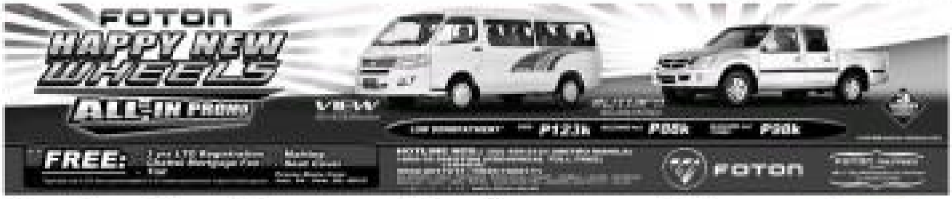
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MVP mum on PAL buy-in talks

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But local stocks also seen to decline this year amid struggle to attain self sufficiency

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Is it the economy, cupid?

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Mindoro Resources raises funds, plans drilling

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Air industry training hub in Clark takes flight

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What's wrong with paying the correct tax?

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DBP encourages LGUs to tap ₱10-B loan facility

Gov't units acquire means to improve education services

DBM clears paperwork to speed up spending



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PH officials look forward to mass adoption of GMOs

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SLGFI bullish over prospects

SM clinches Platinum Corporate Award

DTI draws up plans to boost PH dev't

PPP program put on high gear in '12

By Riza T. Olchondra

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Project review

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Project list

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Agribusiness in ARMM pushed

Region 'ripe' for more investments, say business leaders

By Riza T. Olchondra

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ARMM is suitable for labor-intensive industries that need a verdant environment.

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Business

DTI draws up plans to boost PH dev't

Private sector backs gov't trade initiative

By Amy R. Remo

THE DEPARTMENT of Trade and Industry is crafting strategic industry roadmaps, in collaboration with the private sector, to strengthen the country's competitiveness and to grow its presence in the global market.

These roadmaps, according to Trade Secretary Gregory L. Domingo, will help the DTI set its priorities and allow the agency to contribute in the country's development goals.

The DTI aims to become a growth catalyst in line with the Aquino administration's vision, he added.

Domingo said in a statement that the DTI has already begun gathering experts and stakeholders in a series of forums and dialogues. The inputs from these sessions will be used for the DTI's overall trade and industry programs.

"We draw from the expertise and experience of the private sector in developing industry development plans. Roadmaps help industries plan their growth, competitiveness and sustainability, and we aim to build a consensus in generating ideas and define the direction for possible roadmap templates," Trade Undersecretary Adrian S. Cristobal Jr. said.

"The government acts as a catalyst and

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EDUARDO SIBAL DAYRIT

Auditor-CPA (Ret.)

who peacefully joined his Creator on January 27, 2012 at the age of 82.

He is survived by his wife Caronia; children Raul-Chona, Maggy-Lisno, Vlad-Yvette, and his sisters Luz and Luding; brother Joe-Nenette, grandchildren, nephews and nieces.

His remains lie in state at Sanctuarium, Araneta Avenue, Quezon City.

Cremation will be on Tuesday, January 31, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.

"And now the hour has come for me to leave this life –
I have fought a good fight
I have finished the race
And I have kept the faith."

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"Even when I walk through a dark valley I fear no harm; For you are at my side; your rod and staff give me courage." Psalm 23:4



Bangko Sentral eyes more credit surety funds

Big boost to credit access of micro enterprises

Infra spending boom seen

268 renewable energy contracts

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Investors push reforms in local power sector

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Fitch cuts rating of five eurozone countries





US economy picked up in 4th quarter

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ALLIED BANK OPENS GRACE PARK 3RD AVENUE BRANCH

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Facebook IPO could value it among top firms

Tech company may take place alongside McDonald's, BofA



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After Greenspan, Bernanke the quiet revolutionary

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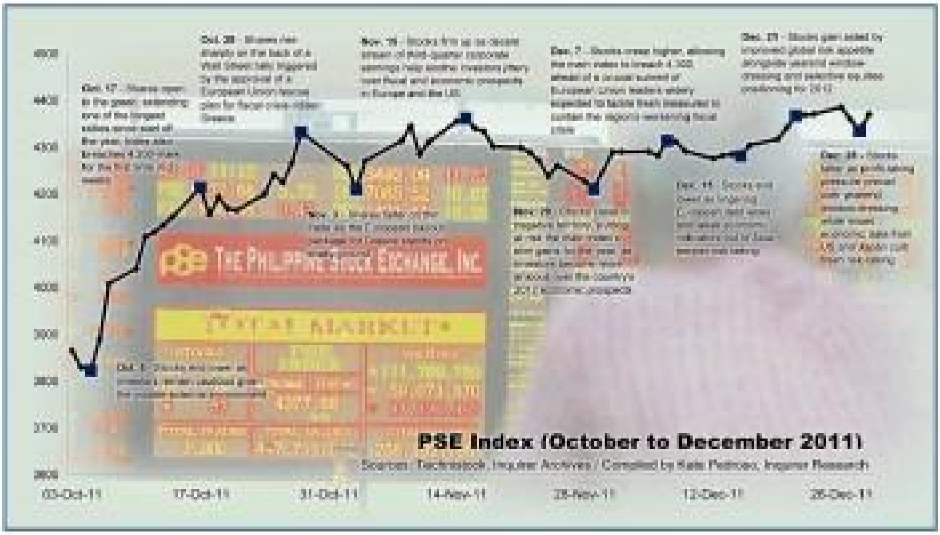
Euro debt concerns weigh on investor optimism

Region's leaders gather in Brussels for first summit of 2012



EU leaders keep eye on Greek debt

StockMarket *Quarterly*



Stocks seen moving into uncharted territory

Analysts expect fourth straight year of upswing in 2012

By Doris C. Dumlao

THE PHILIPPINE stock market entered 2012—and the Lunar "Year of the Water Dragon"—with a big bang despite lingering challenges to the global economy. Can the main index sustain a strong momentum for the rest of the year?

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2011 in review

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Top 20 in Market Capitalization

STOCK	SUB-INDUSTRY	MKCAP (in PHP) as of Dec. 29, 2011
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Top 20 Most Active Issues By Value

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Top 20 Gainers

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Top 20 Losers

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Experts go for infra, gaming stocks









Stocks seen heading to uncharted territory



Social network alters market landscape

Philippine property sector said to be coping well

Unmet demand

Crisis



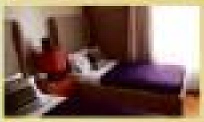
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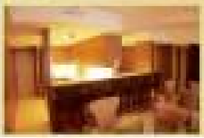
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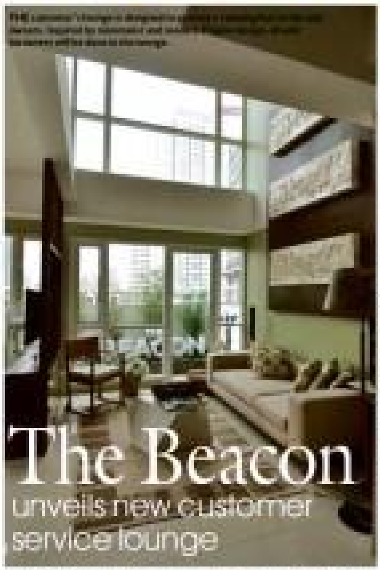
Urban Danish design at One Serendra



SLEEK interior design







The Beacon unveils new customer service lounge





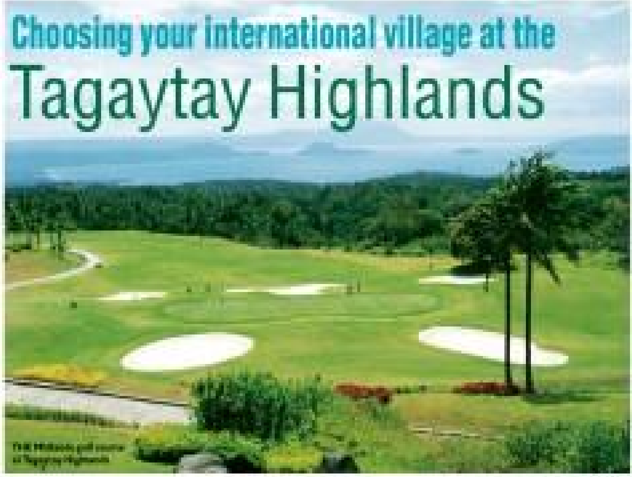
On the square: Live larger with a non-rectangular layout



Exciting 9-hole addition to Tagaytay Midlands golf course



Choosing your international village at the Tagaytay Highlands



THE Midlands golf course at Tagaytay Highlands



THE Pinecrest Village

Families need not cross the seas to experience the good life in Japan, North America, Europe, and other developed countries in Asia, yet, without the harsh winters of the western hemisphere or the scorching heat of the tropics.

The lifestyle they aspire for is actually a little over an hour drive from Manila, with all its modern amenities fully integrated in a stunningly [illegible] environment that includes world-class leisure facilities and a mild, cool weather all year round.



FUNICULAR overlooking Midlands



SUNSET at the Villas



SET upon eight hectares of sprawling beautiful land, Fairfield is a community of contemporary [illegible] American homes.

That's how people of different nationalities describe the life they live at numerous Tagaytay Highlands' communities snugly nestled in its over 1,300-hectare picturesque expanse overlooking the world-famous Taal Lake, Laguna de Bay and Mount Makiling, and just a strolling distance from the property's two international championship golf courses, sports center with indoor squash and basketball courts, swimming pool, go-kart race track, spa and lodge, pick-and-eat vegetable farms, and a selection of specialty restaurants.

These [illegible] exclusive communities are part of Tagaytay Highlands' master-planned residential development that gives people the choice of lifestyle - whether Japanese, American, European, or tropical Asian - at a reasonable price.

Literally at the peak of quality living along Tagaytay's highest elevations, the international communities emerge from the property's three prime locations - the 300-hectare Highlands (2,000 to 2,500 feet above sea level), the 678-hectare Midlands (1,000 to 1,500 feet), and the 288-hectare Greenlands (400 to 900 feet).

Most of the international communities in the Highlands such as the Woodlands, Belle View, Pinecrest, Villas and Woodridge are already sold out.

Nonetheless, residential properties in the communities at the Midlands such as the Japanese-themed Kenzen, the Italian Tivoli Place and Sycamore Heights are still up for grabs.

On the Greenlands, the communities with still available lots are the Contemporary American-inspired Fairfield and the Modern Architecture-themed Nob Hill.

Gracefully sitting in a 14-hectare rolling terrain, the posh Kenzen's community includes an assortment of Japanese gardens that resemble the elements of the [illegible] Palace in Kyoto. It also has a picturesque [illegible], and underground electricity and water connections. Lot areas range from 300 to 500 square meters.

With similar amenities but drawing inspiration from the famous hill in Italy's Lazio region, the Tivoli Place offers scenic views of the fairways, landscaped gardens and mountain ridges. Lot sizes range from 360 to 1,000 square meters.

On the other hand, the Fairfield offers a gated country-inspired community of contemporary [illegible] and spacious American homes set upon eight hectares of sprawling greenery with wide open spaces, tree-filled parks, picture-perfect views, and underground utilities. Lot sizes vary from 360 to 700 square meters. Fairfield is near the second nine-hole addition to the Tagaytay Midlands golf course.



LAGOON Park picturesque hills

Likewise a showcase of luxury in a [illegible] contemporary setting, the posh Nob Hill community offers homes in today's tradition of green living using eco-friendly technologies and large picture windows that seemingly make the great outdoors more part of a home's interiors. The Nob Hill is also near the second nine-hole addition to the Tagaytay Midlands golf course and has its own [illegible] and pocket gardens, and with underground utilities. Lot sizes are up to 750 square meters.

Meanwhile, Sycamore Heights is consciously true to "green design" from concept to construction and all the way to completion, providing the best options for vacation homes that offer green living inside and out.

So, the homes at Sycamore Heights are of contemporary Asian design, but [illegible] for a climate-sensitive and weather-adaptive structure using the prevailing characteristics of nature [illegible] advantage, turning the outdoor environment into favorable influences for a "healthy" indoor living condition with the least artificial intervention.



INSPIRED by the ancient Italian town Lazio, which hosted magnificent villas during the Renaissance Period, Tivoli Place offers scenic views of the fairways, landscaped gardens and mountain ridges.

All the communities have 24/7 security and emergency medical and firefighting teams, 100 percent emergency power supply system, independent and sufficient water supply, in-house landscaping and home maintenance services, [illegible] units, over 20 specialty restaurants, a wi-fi zone, and near to markets, shopping centers, and schools like the St. Scholastica's College, Caritas Don Bosco, and De La Salle University-Dasmariñas.

More information can be obtained from Belle Corp. at tel. no. 322-3347, mobile 0917-BELLE, e-mail [illegible]@bellecorp.com, [illegible] or visit www.tagaytayhighlands.com, http://www.tagaytayhighlands.com



SPA and Lodge



CABLE cars traversing the clubhouse

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■ UST sings Abba tunes as it enters its 5th century/C4

LIFESTYLE Arts&Books



Met exhibits 19th-century documents, maps and paintings on Ilocos

A colorful topographical map of Northern Luzon also indicates ethno-linguistic groups

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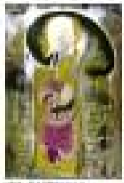
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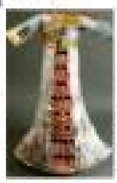


Dr. Mendez birthday art show



Southeast Asian artists at Boston







Met exhibits 19th-century documents . . .

Exhibit centerpiece



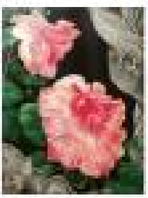
Art auction for charity patients











Naga artists to hold Obrang Bikolnon Artcon 2012

Makati Medical Center revives arts and culture program

ARTS AND culture bounced back to life at the Makati Medical Center after a hiatus of 10 years.

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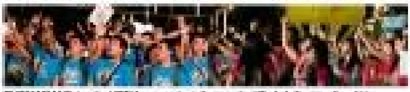




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Bayanihan launches choreography competition

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THOMASIANS sing the UST Hymn, paying tribute to the "God of all nations" and his "unending grace."

UST sings Handel's 'Messiah' . . .

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UST Hospital

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Our Lady and the Pope

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UE Library holds book fair

THE UNIVERSITY of the East, through its Department of Libraries, will hold the UE Library Book Fair for 2012 at the Main Library's Reference Section, 3/F, FO Domingo Center for Information Technology Bldg., UE Manila, Jan. 31-Feb. 3.

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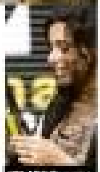
UST sings Handel's 'Messiah' and Abba's 'Thank You for the Music' to usher in its 5th century





















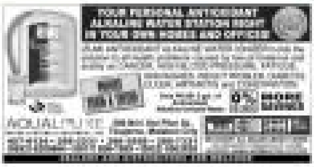
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Philippine Arts Festival holds nationwide theater fest

Campus stage groups take part in National Arts Month





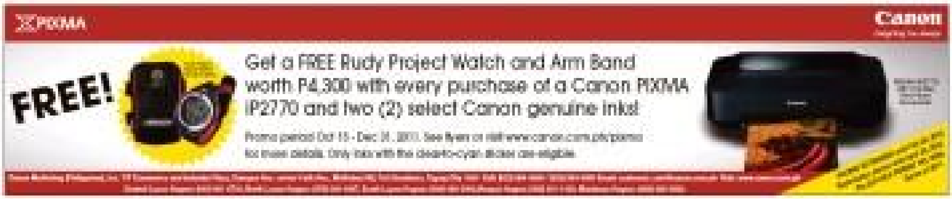


By Walter Ang
Contributor

THIS YEAR'S Tanghal: National University and College Theater Festival will have events across the country, kicking off in the National Capital Region at University of Makati, Feb. 1-4.

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PHILIPPINE D4





GARFIELD — BY JIM DAVIS





PUGAD BABOY — BY PM JUNIOR



DICK TRACY





BABY BLUES — BY JERRY SCOTT



KIKO MACHINE



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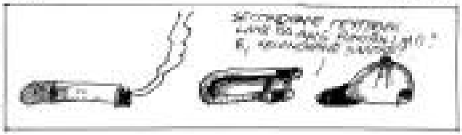


SHERMAN'S LAGOON — BY JIM TOOMEY



DUSTIN — BY STEVE KELLEY AND JEFF PARKER





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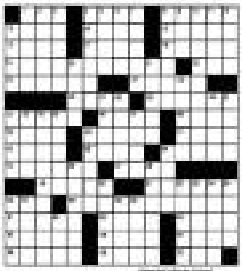
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Exhibit, forum on celebrated Spanish novelist Gonzalo Torrente Ballester



Film version of 'Girl with Dragon…

Swedish adaptation

Philippine Arts Festival…

Film version of 'Girl with Dragon Tattoo' stays true to novel of grit

By [illegible]
Contributor

WHEN STIEG Larsson died of a heart attack in 2004, he was to many just a 50-year-old Swedish journalist, a reporter at one of Sweden's largest news agencies, Tidningarnas Telegrambyrå (Newspapers' Telegram Bureau). Then they found the manuscripts.

There were three finished novels apparently [illegible] on a [illegible], an unfinished fourth on a laptop, and [illegible] and writings for probably two more.

The first three eventually found print, and are now known collectively as the best-selling "Millennium Trilogy," after the fictional magazine run by the novels' main protagonist, Mikael Blomkvist.

Of course, Larsson was hardly "just" a journalist. He was a Trotskyist, a member of the Communist Workers League, and later the founder of the Swedish Expo Foundation, all while conducting research on Swedish right-wing extremism and gaining a good number of political enemies.

But perhaps Larsson's great-est contribution in modern fiction is not the alternate reality where the political and social predilections of big, moneyed entities are pulled from behind tremendous corporate façades. We have a fair share of that from American writers, particularly of the legal thriller genre.

Neither is Blomkvist, Larsson's literary Doppelgänger, an activist of sorts who roots out dirt in the shadier parts of corporate finance. The real hero is, in fact, an antihero, an outcast, and, [illegible] Swedish [illegible] culture, a young woman, Lisbeth Salander.

Hardly armored personality

In "The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo," Salander is a computer hacking prodigy lost in the middle of Stockholm's social welfare system. She uses her computing skills to work for an investigation agency, easily becoming the best there with her detailed results.

She is assigned to track down Blomkvist, who in the meantime is convicted for a libel charge by a corporate titan.

Described as "a pale, skinny young woman who had hair as short as a fuse," she sports tattoos of a wasp on her neck, loops on her left bicep and ankle, and a dragon on her left shoulder blade.

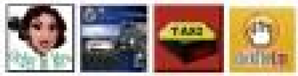
With a hardly armored per-



DANIEL Craig as Blomkvist and Rooney Mara as Lisbeth Salander

GADGETS Gallery

Pinoys go app-crazy



Filipino developers are adding local flavor to the Android market by providing over 70 apps, ranging from news, mobile, entertainment, sports, travel, and translation for Filipinos and tourists alike.

Samsung unveils GALAXY S Advance: a combination of refined design with high performance

Samsung expands Android portfolio with Dual Core smartphone

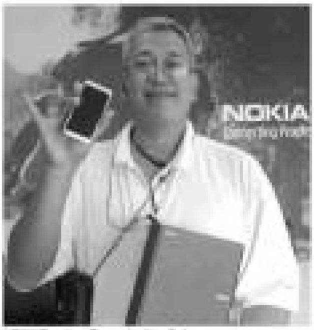


Refined design meets lightning speed

Pinoys go app-crazy

Nokia challenges student mobile app developers

Pinoy-designed water app wins in IdeasProject challenge



Thin and light with HP's new Pavilion





Chat all you want with Globe BlackBerry Chat



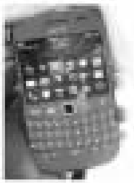
Tech Trends

By Raquel Ocampo



Pink glam phone from Alcatel

Now comes a white BlackBerry



Cherry Mobile's new Android collection

IP-Converge opens new data center in BGC



EastWest Bank selects iCreate's BizScore for Enterprise Business Intelligence and Analytics

Samsung unveils GALAXY S Advance...



Intuitive user experience



Siemens promotes environmental, energy efficient solutions at engineering expo

FROM STRUTTING TO RUNNING:

Sony launches new Walkman W262 Series





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Tattoo@Home

beefs-up 2012 product portfolio

Tattoo@Home unveils best-in-market DSL, WiMAX and GPON offers







TATTOO, the flagship broadband brand of Globe Telecom, launches its newest array of broadband offers for consumers. Tattoo@Home also introduced its brand ambassador, Filipino supermodel Danica Magpantay (2nd from left). Photo shows (from left) [illegible], Broadband Business head of Globe Telecom; Jurist Gamban, head of Globe Telecom's At Home Broadband Business; and [illegible], head of the Nomadic Broadband Business of Globe.

Tattoo, the flagship broadband brand of Globe Telecom, unveils its new line-up of broadband offers for consumers that offer superior and customizable speeds and the best value-for-money packages in the market today.

Using the most diverse array of broadband technologies in the country–Digital Subscriber Line (DSL), 4G WiMAX (Worldwide Interoperability for Microwave Access) and GPON (Gigabit-capable Passive Optical Network)–Tattoo@Home provide stable and flexible connections that give families the best internet experience at home, from parents working or paying bills online, young adults downloading their favorite songs or movies to kids and teens doing research and expressing themselves in multiple ways online. The best part about Tattoo@Home is that the plans are customizable based on the subscribers' unique needs.

For instance, Tattoo@Home Plan 1099, a DSL and landline bundle, runs at speeds of up to 1mbps. Plus, customers get free NDD calls forever (to Globelines and Globe DUO subscribers) and one month of speed boost for free. On the other hand, Tattoo@Home Plan 1299 runs on speeds of up to 2 mbps and subscribers get free NDD calls forever (to Globelines and Globe DUO subscribers), one month of speed boost and a free WiFi (Wireless Fidelity) router.

"Our Tattoo@Home offers are the most superior in the market, with compelling freebies bundled with the broadband service. Plus, these plans are unique because customers can customize these via optional speed boost add-ons that provide an additional 1 Mbps of speed during certain times of the day," said Jurist Gamban, head of Tattoo@Home Broadband.

Launching its greatest value for money and high-speed broadband plans for the whole family, Tattoo@Home also introduced Ford Supermodel of the World 2010 Danica Flores Magpantay as its newest brand ambassador.

Tattoo, powered by Globe Telecom, has beefed-up its service on the back of the aggressive expansion Globe is currently undertaking on its network infrastructure. The company was the first to launch its 4G WiMax network and GPON (direct fiber optic cable) internet service in the Philippines. Tattoo@Home is also the first to launch speed boost add-ons that allows customers faster downloads of their choosing.

Tattoo@Home, the wired broadband business of Globe grew its subscriber base by 17 percent year-on-year as of the third quarter of 2011, with close to 300,000 subscribers.



THE STUNNING Danica Magpantay, Ford Supermodel of the World 2010.

ENTERTAINMENT



SEA film fest spotlights Pinoy indies



Eula: That was my son, guys



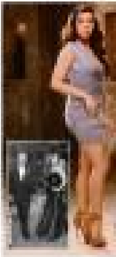
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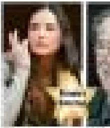
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Nikki puts romance to the test

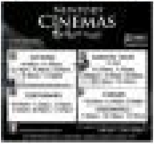


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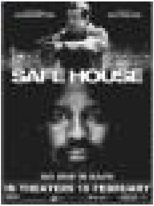


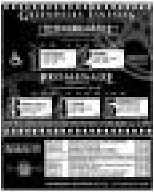












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'Bacollywood' to showcase the regions

By Carla P. Gomez

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> 'The point of holding a festival outside of Manila is for local filmmakers to realize their own impact'

Venue for discourse

Extensive research

Various cultures

Visual arts

Young director learns, shows that heroism is no kid stuff

Plus, working with child actors presents some very unique challenges

By Bayani San Diego Jr.



Close to home

Early cut-off

Little pros

ENTERTAINMENT



Carmina walks out on ad shoot with Claudine



DOLLY WOOD

Dolly Anne Carvajal



Perfect match

Met with Jake

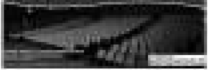
Regine: I'm a happy slave to Baby Nate



REGINE Velasquez

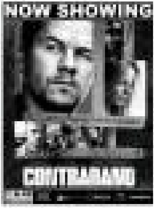






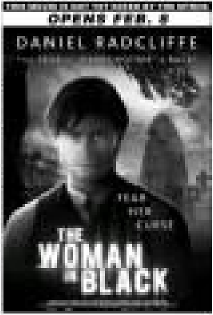
Child actors shouldn't





Regine...





be made to go on extended crying jags







Working with 'next Brockas, Bernals'



LEARNING

To teach reading is to spread love

By Lizo B. Diaz de Rivera
Contributor

> The UP College of Education in Diliman is a hotbed of pioneers and experts on literacy teaching and research







L-R: Santos, Hermosa, Diaz de Rivera



CREATIVE story telling by EDR students

For this young archer, gold is the target

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Pattern recognition

Peer influence

Confucian tradition



Foundation, Cebu schools address malnutrition

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Letter from Mindoro to the national hero



Camp to inspire youth to be agents of change



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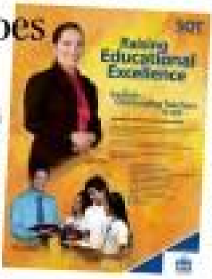
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